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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: David C. Paul, *et al.*

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Sir:

In response to the office action mailed December 28, 2004, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks for entry and consideration during the examination of the above-identified application. Applicants believe the following amendments place the claims in condition for allowance, or at least in better form for consideration on appeal, and entry at this time is respectfully requested.

*Approved for entry.  
6/27/05  
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